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In re Application of:)
MAKOTO KOBAYASHI) Group Art Unit: 2416
Application No.: 10/588,367) Examiner: Unknown
Filed: August 4, 2006) Confirmation No.: 9214
For: DATA MANAGEMENT SYSTEM,)
COMMUNICATION TERMINAL,)
AND DATA MANAGEMENT)
METHOD)

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the listed documents on the attached PTO SB/08 Form. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits for the above-referenced application.

Copies of the listed foreign and non-patent literature documents are attached.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

The following is a concise statement of relevance of the listed Japanese publication.

JP 2003-163847 is discussed on page 2 of the present specification. In addition, an English-language Abstract is attached.

In addition, Applicant provides an International Search Report ("ISR") issued by the Japanese Patent Office in a counterpart International application. Applicant notes that the three non-patent documents cited in the ISR were previously submitted to the Patent Office with the Information Disclosure Statement filed August 4, 2006. Since the non-patent documents have already been submitted, they are not listed on the attached Form nor are copies provided herewith.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that each or all of the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art." If the Examiner applies any of the documents as prior art against any claim in the application and Applicant determines that the cited documents do not constitute "prior art" under United States law, Applicant reserves the right to present to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such documents.

Applicant further reserves the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should one or more of the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

If there is any fee due in connection with the filing of this Statement, please charge the fee to Deposit Account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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